

## San Francisco LGBT Pride Parade – Sunday, June 25th

FROM: Dr. Ved Chirayath, Chair, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Advisory Group

SUBJECT: San Francisco LGBT Pride Parade – Sunday, June 25, 2017

June is National Pride Month. It's a time for everyone to celebrate diversity and equality. So on behalf of NASA Ames' LGBT Advisory Group, Happy LGBT Pride Month! Join NASA Ames in the San Francisco LGBT Pride Parade on Sunday, June 25, 2017, and march alongside NASA's second official pride parade contingent of rocket scientists, astronauts, engineers, information technology professionals and others.

Tickets are available online at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/nasa-ames-sf-pride-parade-2017-tickets-35324230725>. Orders close at 4:00 p.m. on June 16, 2017 for t-shirts (Limited Quantity Available). T-shirts are available for pickup at the parade with your Eventbrite ticket. More information is available at the NASA Ames' LGBT Advisory Group website: [www.nasa.gov/ames/lgbt](http://www.nasa.gov/ames/lgbt)

The parade begins at 10:30 a.m. and goes down Market Street for about 1.5 miles. The Ames LGBT Advisory Group is organizing the contingent that will march in the parade. We are inviting all Ames staff members to come march with us. In the past, the SF Pride Parade has drawn up to one million viewers along the parade route. The parade is also televised throughout the Bay Area. This makes the Pride Parade an excellent opportunity for individual staff members, organizations and missions to raise awareness of Ames and the work we do. Our meeting place is still TBD. However, you can find up to date information on the NASA Ames' LGBT Advisory Group website [www.nasa.gov/ames/lgbt](http://www.nasa.gov/ames/lgbt). Once the location has been determined, we are required to be assembled by 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, June 25 at that location! Please note: the actual launch may be delayed by up to 1-1.5 hours, but it also may proceed on time, so be prepared to wait. The actual march is only 9 blocks down Market from Beale to Eighth Street.

We are arranging for every participant in our contingent to wear matching t-shirts with the NASA meatball. If you do not purchase a limited-edition NASA Pride 2017 shirt; we ask you to please wear any shirt with the NASA meatball. We also are looking for volunteers to be contingent monitors. The number of marchers in our contingent is limited and the deadline for signing up to march will be this Friday, June 16, 2017. For more information and to sign up as a marcher, please contact either: <mailto:Ved.Chirayath@nasa.gov> or <mailto:Nate@nasa.gov>

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## Lunch & Learn – LGBT Pride Month, June 20, 2017; Building N241, R237; 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.

TO: Resident Staff

FROM: (b) (6) Director, Office of Diversity & Equal Opportunity (ODEO)

SUBJECT: Change of Time - LGBT Pride Month Lunch and Learn Event, June 20, 2017; Building N241, R237

Please join the Office of Diversity & Equal Opportunity (ODEO) on June 20, 2017, to celebrate LGBT Pride Month with special guest, Krisstina Wilmoth.

The month's Lunch and Learn topic will be: Degrees of Inclusion, Generational Differences in the LGBTQI Community. Her presentation will cover how our generational and sexual identity perspectives shape us, and how some of our perceived differences may affect the ways in which we interact at work.

One of the hallmarks of the Ames Diversity and Inclusion Implementation Plan is that unique factors such as race, gender, sexual orientation, religion, disability, national origin, color, age, status as a parent, and pregnancy are welcomed, and diverse viewpoints are encouraged and supported, leading to better innovation and productivity in the workplace. The Ames Diversity & Inclusion "Lunch and Learns" were developed to assist in achieving this vision.

This D&I activity takes place on June 20, 2017 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m., in Building N241, Room 237. Appetizers will be provided! Please feel free to bring your lunch and learn!

Questions? Please contact Irene Najlis at ext. (b) (6) to (b) (6) or (b) (6) at ext. (b) (6) to (b) (6)

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## Dec. 1: LGBT Advisory Group Meeting

Dear Ames LGBT Community & Allies,

We are pleased to invite you all to the next brown-bag lunch meeting of the Ames LGBT Advisory Group. We will share all of our FY18 plans for the group and look forward to working together to make NASA and Ames a more diverse and inclusive workplace for all. Come join us in N232, Rm. 122 (Sustainability Base), December 1, 12:00-13:00. Complimentary desserts provided courtesy of LGBT Advisory Group.

More information about our group is available online at [www.nasa.gov/lgbt](http://www.nasa.gov/lgbt)

For those that cannot attend in person, we invite you to participate via Webex and/or Dial-in. Information Below:

### NASA Ames LGBT Advisory Group

Friday, December 1, 2017

12:00 pm | Pacific Standard Time (San Francisco, GMT-08:00) | 1 hr

Meeting number: 998 899 588

Meeting password: (b) (6)

### Join by phone

USA Toll Free #: 1-844-467-6272

USA Local/Toll #: 1-720-259-6462

Participant Passcode: (b) (6)

We look forward to seeing you.

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## A Message from NASA Ames LGBT Advisory Group

FROM: Dr. Ved Chirayath, Chair, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Advisory Group

SUBJECT: A Message from NASA Ames LGBT Advisory Group

Thank you, to all that have registered for NASA Pride 2017! Thanks to the tireless efforts of (b) (6) (b) (6) and myself, but most of all (b) (6) NASA Pride 2017 is on track to be the most successful and exciting NASA Pride in history!

We are holding a final pre-pride LGBT-AG meeting at NASA Ames this Friday, 12:00-13:30 in N-232, Rm. 103, to discuss marching contingent plans, directions, and instructions. All who are marching are encouraged to attend. If you bring your ticket on your phone or printed, you may pick up your t-shirts at this meeting (ticket holders only). All others may pickup shirts from our group at the parade.

Please check the Eventbrite page where you registered for updated location, gathering, and parade schedule.

We are still in need of contingent monitors to take the 20 min online training video and complete survey for credit:

If you would like to be a Contingent Monitor, please use the following links to watch the video and take the quick survey.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zISQSCvgKcg&t=5s>

After you watch the above video, fill out the following survey. When asked, "NASA" is the group you will be Marching with.

<https://survey.zohopublic.com/zs/5zB56h>

Look forward to seeing you all Friday and again Sunday for the march!

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## REMINDER: Update: Women's History Month: Karan Kendrick, Hidden Figures Actress, March 29, 2017

In honor of Women's History Month, the Office of Diversity and Equal Opportunity (ODEO), the African American Advisory Group (AAAG), the Ames Veterans Committee (AVC), the Ames Disability Advocate (ADA), the Asian American Pacific Islander Advisory Group (AAPIAG), the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transsexual, Queer, Intersex, Asexual (LGBTQIA) and the Women's Influence Network (WIN), are thrilled to present Karan Kendrick, who played the younger Joylette Coleman in the movie Hidden Figures.

Karan Kendrick will be speaking at Ames from 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. on March 29, 2017, in the Syvertson Auditorium N201 with a reception to follow in the lobby of N200. The event will be broadcast via IPTV, accessible at the following link: <https://eztv.arc.nasa.gov/eztv/>

In support of the movie, Kendrick created the Girls Empowerment Tour #GETit, a 10-city tour across the US, for girls ages 8-12. The objective of #GETit is to empower young girls to choose excellence on every step of their journey, and to show them how that choice can change the world! Kendrick has an opportunity to celebrate Women's History Month by sharing some of her experiences from the film and provide words of encouragement. During the reception, Karan will be selling her Girls Empowerment STEM initiative shirts.

Karan Kendrick has worked tirelessly for the past decade to provide students in her beloved hometown in GA, and more recently in her new home in Burbank CA, with an opportunity to build character, discipline and an eternal passion for the arts. With her upcoming Girls Empowerment Tour in support of the highly anticipated Hidden Figures film—she took her show on the road.

Kendrick was born and raised in Fort Valley, GA and graduated from Spelman College in Atlanta, GA (BA, Drama and Dance) and earned her graduate degree (MBA, in Management) at Wesleyan College in Macon, GA. Additional credits include: Goddess (O'Neill Musical Theatre Conference), Breath and Imagination (The Colony Theatre), Drop Dead Diva, Army Wives, The Wronged Man, Fab Five: The Texas Cheerleading Scandal (Lifetime Television), Tyler Perry's House of Payne and Madea Goes to Jail (Tyler Perry Studios) and the feature films: The Odd Life of Timothy Green, Parental Guidance, Merry Friggin' Christmas and more. From blockbuster epics (The Hunger Games) and dramas, to television and live theatre, this versatile actress is among the artistic elite. Recent credits include season four of CW's The Originals, Greenleaf on OWN, The Really Real directed by Carrie Brownstein and Documentary Now! starring Bill Hader and Fred Armisen.

Don't miss this great presentation in observance of Women's History Month! Mark your calendars! For questions regarding this centerwide, please contact Ali Guarneros-Luna at  
mailto:(b) (6) or ext. (b) (6)

## Summer Series Colloquium by Dr. Ved Chirayath, Thursday, June 8

TO: Resident Staff

FROM: Dr. Jacob Cohen, Chief Scientist

SUBJECT: Summer Series Colloquium by Dr. Ved Chirayath, Thursday, June 8

Welcome to the 2017 NASA Ames Summer Series. "Next-Generation Sensing Technology for Exploring Earth & the Cosmos," will be presented by Dr. Ved Chirayath on Thursday, June 8 at 11 a.m. in the Syvertson Auditorium (N201).

Understanding is constrained by perspective. New technology can provide a unique frame of reference that helps us gain better understanding about ourselves and the environment. NASA's Earth Sciences research has been pivotal in developing a scientific understanding of Earth's system and its ecosystem. In this presentation, Dr. Chirayath's will discuss novel remote sensing techniques enabling advanced scientific capabilities.

The presentation will be followed by a reception in the lobby of N200.

For more information on future Summer Series, please visit:

<http://www.nasa.gov/ames/ocs/summerseries/2017>

Abstract:

Dr. Ved Chirayath's colloquium presentation will highlight two instrument technologies he invented at NASA including Fluid Lensing, the first remote sensing technology capable of imaging through ocean waves in 3D at sub-cm resolutions, and MiDAR, a next-generation active hyperspectral remote sensing and optical communications instrument. Fluid Lensing has been used to provide the first 3D multispectral imagery of shallow marine systems from unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs, or drones), including coral reefs in American Samoa and stromatolite reefs in Hamelin Pool, Western Australia. MiDAR is being deployed on aircraft, and underwater remotely operated vehicles (ROVs) to enable a new method for remote sensing of living and nonliving structures in extreme environments. Dr. Chirayath's talk will feature a live demonstration of the MiDAR instrument and a presentation on recent discoveries made with these instruments and their applications to understanding our home planet and searching for life elsewhere in the universe. More information is available online at the Laboratory for Advanced Sensing's homepage at [www.nasa.gov/ames/las](http://www.nasa.gov/ames/las)

Bio:

Dr. Ved Chirayath directs the Laboratory for Advanced Sensing (LAS) in the Earth Science Division at NASA Ames Silicon Valley. His research is directed at inventing next-generation advanced sensing technologies for NASA's Earth Science Program to better understand the natural world around us, extending our capabilities for studying life in extreme environments on Earth, and searching for life elsewhere in the universe. He leads a multi-disciplinary team developing new instrumentation for airborne and

## NASA Pride was a Success. Thank you!

TO: Resident Staff

FROM: Dr. Ved Chirayath, Chair, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Advisory

SUBJECT: San Francisco Pride was a Success. Thank you!

We could not be more proud of our NASA Pride 2017 contingent! You rocked the parade and inspired millions in attendance. Congratulations to everyone who helped show how NASA embraces diversity as a source of strength as we explore the cosmos, our home planet, and engineer the systems we depend on to survive. A special thanks to our center director and his family for joining us again at NASA Pride and to NTT Data and the Ames Federal Employee Union for their support!

If you have any photos you would like to share and assign to the public domain, please feel free to upload them to a folder here:

Please create a folder with your name, e.g. Ved's photos, and upload any PG photos and video you would like to share from the parade:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B9oPK24Z5xt0MTdWa19jRDdj3c?usp=sharing>

We will update our NASA LGBT website with some of these videos and photos.

If you would like to pick up your t-shirt, you may do so from Ved's office in N-232, Rm. 267. You must bring your Eventbrite ticket (phone screen is ok) showing your order and QR code to scan for pickup. You may pickup shirts for others if you have a copy of their tickets. Please do not enter his office and take a shirt without him present as in past years this has led to missing shirts and expenses for additional shirt orders out of pocket. We are not able to accommodate shirt size changes as all the shirts sold out.

Available times:

Tuesday June 27, 10:00-12:00.

Wednesday June 28, 10:00-12:00

Thank you Luncheon:

All who participated, supported or donated are encouraged to Join us for a Post-Pride, thank you luncheon, Thursday, July 6th from 12:00 - 2:00 pm in N232-103.

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## April 23: Ames Early Career Researcher Award Seminar by Dr. Ved Chirayath

The Ames Early Career Researcher Award seminar, titled "Next-Generation Sensing Technologies for Exploring Ocean Worlds" will be presented by Dr. Ved Chirayath on Tuesday, April 23, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. in the N201 Syvertson Auditorium.

The Ames Early Career Researcher Award recognizes recipients that demonstrate exceptional scientific or engineering potential for leadership through outstanding research and the integration of research within the context of the mission of their organizations. The 2017 award went Dr. Ved Chirayath for his work with next generation remote sensing technologies.

Our understanding of our home planet, Earth, is limited. Improving Earth models, in part, depend on the quality of the data we can collect to test novel hypotheses. Innovative technologies are key to advancing Earth observation investigations. The NASA Ames Laboratory of Advanced Sensing (LAS) develops new instruments and applications to support NASA's Earth and Space Science Programs. Dr. Ved Chirayath will present the advances done in his lab.

For more information about the Early Career Researcher Award, please visit:  
<https://www.nasa.gov/ames/ocs/earlycareeraward>

### Abstract:

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### Biography:

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## Limited Edition: 2018 NASA Ames Research Center LGBTQ+ Pride Shirt

*You asked; we listened.*

The 2018 NASA Ames LGBTQ+ Pride shirts are now up for grabs. Get yours today, while supplies last!

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/limited-edition-2018-nasa-ames-research-center-lgbtq-pride-shirt-tickets-48421599307>

Just in time for Silicon Valley Pride 8/25-8/26

Purchase online, then stop by our booth at this years Diversity and Inclusion event to pick them up. Exhibits will be displayed at Shenandoah Plaza on August 9, 2018 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

This will be a great oportunity for those folks who have not picked up their shirts from the Pride Parade, to do so. Please, have your Eventbrite ticket on hand.

If you have any questions, please email [nate@nasa.gov](mailto:nate@nasa.gov)

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 **Ved Chirayath**   [website](#)

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#### July 23 – 25: NASA 6th Exploration Science Forum

 7/23/19 to 7/25/19

## NASA Ames at San Francisco Pride & Parade – June 23 – 24, 2018

June is National Pride Month. It's a time for everyone to celebrate diversity and equality. On behalf of NASA Ames LGBT Advisory Group, Happy LGBT Pride month!

We are excited to announce that this year marks the first time NASA Ames Research Center will have a booth at San Francisco Pride. The booth will be open from 12:00pm - 6:00pm on Saturday June 23rd and 11:00am - 6:00pm Sunday June 24th. Please, stop by and say hello, take some funky photos using our infrared camera station. Learn about the autonomous helicopter that will soon be exploring the Red Planet, provided by our Aeromechanics division. Take a dive into a brilliant coral reef, brought to you by the Earth Science division. Get up close and personal with some flies and much more from our folks in the Biosciences division. Do not forget to grab a swag bag while supplies last.

Join us in the San Francisco Pride Parade on Sunday, June 24th and march alongside your colleagues as NASA's fourth official pride parade contingent.

Tickets & T-shirts available online at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/nasa-ames-the-2018-san-francisco-pride-parade-tickets-46159549455>

### **GET YOUR LIMITED EDITION 2018 NASA AMES PRIDE T-SHIRT:**

In order to have your NASA PRIDE T-shirt on time, for San Francisco Pride, sales must end by 5:00 p.m. June 11, 2018. T-shirts will be available for early pickup Friday June 22nd, in N232-103 from 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m., with your Eventbrite ticket. Otherwise, you can pick them up at the parade, with your Eventbrite ticket.

More information is available at the NASA Ames' LGBT Advisory Group website: [www.nasa.gov/lgbt](http://www.nasa.gov/lgbt)

### **TRAVELING TO AND FROM THE EVENT:**

We are working on obtaining three (3) 12-15 passenger vans, that will pick up marchers from NASA Ames the morning of the Parade, and drop you back off after 6:00pm, or once the event has concluded. More information and sign ups coming soon.

Please note: Only parade vehicles are allowed in to the mapped area below. If you do not get a space in the van, your best options are to take BART to the Embarcadero Station, Caltrain or rideshare and be dropped off in city!

### **PARADE INFORMATION:**

The parade begins at 10:30am and goes down Market Street for about 1.5 miles. The Ames LGBT Advisory Group is organizing the contingent that will march in the parade. We are inviting all Ames staff members to come march with us. In the past, the SF Pride Parade has drawn well over one million viewers along the parade route. The parade is also televised throughout the Bay Area. This makes the Pride Parade an excellent opportunity for individual staff members, organizations, and missions to raise awareness of Ames and the work we do. Our contingent meeting place is TBD. Keep an out for more information on the Eventbrite site or in the Daily Digest. We are required to be assembled by 10:30 am on Sunday June 24th! Note, the actual launch may be delayed by up to 1-1.5 hours, but it also may proceed on time, so be

# Engaging with Our Community: NASA Ames at San Francisco Pride on June 30, 2019

June is Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Pride Month. During this month, we recognize our LGBT+ colleagues and the inclusive community we share together.

One of the biggest ways we celebrate Pride Month is by marching in the San Francisco Pride Parade, this year on Sunday, June 30, 2019. The **Pride Parade** is one of the biggest and most iconic events in the Bay Area, and it is a privilege to participate again this year to show our Pride. In the past, the SF Pride Parade has drawn well over one million viewers along the parade route and is televised throughout the Bay Area and the nation. We're looking to bring a huge Ames contingent and are inviting all Ames staff members to come march with us!

The Ames Office of Communication, in collaboration with the Ames LGBT Advisory Group, is organizing our contingent, and all interested personnel are invited to attend. In order to register your attendance, please follow the steps below:

**Step 1: Register with our staff management tool, NASA NSPIRE.** We use this tool to communicate all important event details with Ames participants.

**Step 2: Build a profile** - Please be sure to complete required details about yourself, as well as provide a photo and emergency contact.

**Step 3: Affiliate yourself with "Ames" to see Ames events - THIS IS IMPORTANT!**

**Step 4: Sign up to participate with Ames at Pride!** There are three different positions you can sign up for: Wheel Monitor, Contingent Monitor or Marcher. Go to NASA NSPIRE to view descriptions of the positions.

[View step-by-step instructions for NASA NSPIRE here.](#)

Learn more about how to get to Pride at their [event website](#).

2019 marks the 80th anniversary of the founding of our Center. To help celebrate this milestone in our own history, the **Ames Office of Communication** is organizing the Center's participation in 80 outreach events in the Bay Area and beyond. Be on the lookout for more notices about how you can be a part of the celebration throughout the year!

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# NASA Ames at San Francisco Pride on June 30, 2019

## MESSAGE FROM THE CENTER DIRECTOR

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) Pride Month is celebrated each June to honor the 1969 Stonewall Uprising in Manhattan, led by Marsha P. Johnson and Sylvia Rivera, two transgender women of color who fought against a brutal police raid on June 28, 1969--which was a tipping point for gay rights in America. This year, we are celebrating both the 50th anniversary of the Stonewall Uprising and the 80th anniversary of NASA Ames Research Center.

I'd like to take this opportunity to recognize the outstanding contributions and achievements of the LGBTQ community at Ames and the Agency. The community continues to play a vital role in the everyday operations of our mission activities and is instrumental to the rich diversity of our Agency.

I encourage you all to join me in recognizing our LGBTQ colleagues and hope to see you at the San Francisco Pride Parade on Sunday, June 30, 2019.

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## June 30: Ames Pride Parade Participation

TO: Resident Staff

FROM: Ved Chirayath, Chair, LGBTQ Advisory Group

SUBJECT: Ames Pride Parade Participation - June 30, 2019

NASA Ames Research Center's LGBTQ+ Advisory Group began the proud tradition of participating in the San Francisco Pride Parade in 2014. Unfortunately, the individuals who have so far planned the event have commitments preventing their engagement this year. We're reaching out to the Ames community to help lead our participation in this year's parade. This year, San Francisco's Pride Parade occurs on June 30, 2019.

Last year, more than 240 Ames employees, family and friends joined the pride march with us, bringing with them a great sense of community. We hope you too will embrace this enriching community culture by stepping forward to assist in leading NASA Ames Research Center's pride parade participation in 2019. We're looking for at least three individuals to share in the responsibility with this rewarding endeavor. These include handling entry into SF Pride, understanding and assisting with payments (note: no expected financial obligations to the Ames pride committee), handling t-shirt orders, and ensuring compliance with SF Pride safety regulations.

The deadline for entry into SF Pride is approaching fast, so we request that interested individuals let us know by March 1, 2019 at the latest. If interested, please contact Ved Chirayath (ved.c@nasa.gov). Please help us have another successful ARC community event at the San Francisco Pride Parade on June 30, 2019.

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## March 12: Anthony Rapp Forum Discussion and Q&A

### MESSAGE FROM THE CENTER DIRECTOR

Please join us in welcoming actor Anthony Rapp for a forum discussion and Q&A in the Syvertson Auditorium N201 on March 12, 2019, at 10:30 am. Rapp is perhaps best known to science fiction fans for playing "Lieutenant Commander Paul Stamets," a Starfleet science officer, astromycologist and spore drive specialist/navigator in the CBS All Access show *Star Trek: Discovery*. Lieutenant Commander Paul Stamets is the first regular LGBT character on a *Star Trek* television series. He also is well known for originating the role of "Mark Cohen" in Jonathan Larson's Tony Award-winning rock opera *Rent*. Rapp plans to speak about his history in working on efforts that impact social movements. A Q&A session will follow the discussion.

### Biography

Anthony Rapp has been acting and singing professionally since he was nine years old. Rapp has an extensive list of achievements, including an OBIE Award he shared with the rest of the cast of *Rent*. He reprised his role of "Mark Cohen" in Chris Columbus' film version opposite other members of the original cast. In addition to his role on *Star Trek: Discovery*, Rapp is a recurring guest star on CBS's new hit spin-off series *The Good Fight* and can be seen on Season 2 of Netflix's hit show *13 REASONS WHY*. Rapp also recently starred in three independent features: *Do You Take This Man* opposite Alyson Hannigan, *Opening Night* with fellow-Broadway favorite Cheyenne Jackson and the LGBT thriller *BWOY*, which he also produced.

A writer as well, Rapp penned *Without You: A Memoir of Love, Loss and the Musical Rent* (Simon & Schuster) about his struggle to balance the demands of life in the theatre with his responsibility to his family during his mother's battle with cancer. He adapted the book into a one-person show entitled *Without You* which he has performed on stages both nationally and internationally.

For more information, please contact Dr. (b) (6) [\(b\) \(6\)](mailto:(b) (6)) of the LGBT Advisory Group.

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## April 23: Ames Early Career Researcher Award Seminar by Dr. Ved Chirayath

The Ames Early Career Researcher Award seminar, titled "Next-Generation Sensing Technologies for Exploring Ocean Worlds" will be presented by Dr. Ved Chirayath on Tuesday, April 23, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. in the N201 Syvertson Auditorium.

The Ames Early Career Researcher Award recognizes recipients that demonstrate exceptional scientific or engineering potential for leadership through outstanding research and the integration of research within the context of the mission of their organizations. The 2017 award went Dr. Ved Chirayath for his work with next generation remote sensing technologies.

Our understanding of our home planet, Earth, is limited. Improving Earth models, in part, depend on the quality of the data we can collect to test novel hypotheses. Innovative technologies are key to advancing Earth observation investigations. The NASA Ames Laboratory of Advanced Sensing (LAS) develops new instruments and applications to support NASA's Earth and Space Science Programs. Dr. Ved Chirayath will present the advances done in his lab.

For more information about the Early Career Researcher Award, please visit:  
<https://www.nasa.gov/ames/ocs/earlycareeraward>

### Abstract:

Dr. Ved Chirayath's Early Career Award seminar will highlight two instrument technologies he invented at NASA including Fluid Lensing, the first remote sensing technology capable of imaging through ocean waves in 3D at sub-cm resolutions, and MiDAR, a next-generation active hyperspectral remote sensing and optical communications instrument. Fluid Lensing has been used to provide the first 3D multispectral imagery of shallow marine systems from unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs, or drones), including coral reefs in American Samoa and stromatolite reefs in Hamelin Pool, Western Australia. MiDAR is being deployed on aircraft, and underwater remotely operated vehicles (ROVs) as a new method to remotely sense living and nonliving structures in extreme environments. Finally, Chirayath will present preliminary results from NASA NeMO-Net, the first neural network for global coral reef classification using fluid lensing and MiDAR.

### Biography:

Dr. Ved Chirayath directs the Laboratory for Advanced Sensing (LAS) in the Earth Science Division at NASA Ames Research Center in Silicon Valley, CA. His research is directed at inventing next-generation sensing technologies and algorithms for NASA's Earth & Space Science Programs to better understand the natural world around us. His investigations aim to extend our capabilities for studying life on Earth as well as aid in the search for life elsewhere in the universe. Dr. Chirayath invented the fluid lensing algorithm and System and Method for Active Multispectral Imaging and Optical Communications (MiDAR) and is the principal investigator of the NASA FluidCam and MiDAR instruments (Patents No.15/480,318 and No.62/634,803). Currently, he is developing and validating these technologies through airborne and underwater field campaigns around the world through NeMO-Net. In addition, Dr. Chirayath serves as the chair of NASA Ames' Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Advisory Group. In